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SUBJECT: IRISH RELATIONS WITH ARAB COUNTRIES

- 1. GOI HAS ANNOUNCED INTENTION OF OPENING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALGERIA, TUNISIA, AND MOROCCO, BY ACCREDITING NON-RESIDENT AMBASSADORS. THIS FOLLOWS SIMILAR MOVES TAKEN OVER PAST FEW MONTHS WITHIN OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES (PLUS ISRAEL). ONLY RESIDENT IRISH AMBASSADOR IN MIDDLE EAST IS IN BEIRUT.
- 2. IRISH FONOFF ASSISTANT SECRETARY BRENDAN NOLAN INFORMED US "IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE" THAT GOI IS SEEKING AGREMENT IN ALGIERS AND TUNIS FOR IRELAND'S AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN MADRID, AND IN RABAT FOR IRELAND'S AMBASSADOR RESIDENT IN PARIS. IN RESTATING PLEA FOR CONFIDENTIALITY, NOLAN SAID HE HAD NO IDEA OF HOW SOON THE AGREMENTS COULD BE EXPECTED. MOST NON-RESIDENT AMBASSADORS ACCREDITED TO DUBLIN ARE RESIDENT IN LONDON.
- 3. COMMENT: ESTABLISHMENT OF ARAB DIPLOMATIC LINKS AT THIS TIME PRESUMABLY REFLECTS BOTH IRISH INTEREST IN ENERGY PROBLEMS AND DETERMINATION TO DO A GOOD JOB CONDUCTING EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE DURING IRELAND'S TERM IN EC PRESIDENCY. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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